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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants would like to bring to the attention of the Examiner, the references cited in the following patent application:

U.S. Serial No. 09/954,725, filed September 14, 2001, pending.

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As copies of the references cited on the attached form PTO/SB/08, can be found in U.S. patent application Serial Number 09/954,725, filed September 14, 2001, copies of those references are not provided herewith. The subject application, Serial No. 10/632,685, claims the



benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of the filing date of U.S. patent application Serial Number 09/954,725. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the copies of references supplied in the Information Disclosure Statement of the 09/954,725 application, as well as references cited during prosecution thereof, be made of record in this application.

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